

The Seven Continents:

Africa

Lapbook



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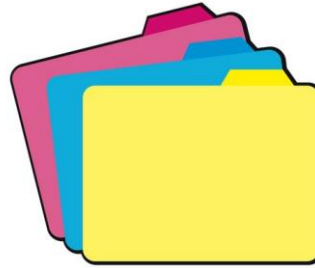
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How do I get started?

First, you will want to gather your supplies.



*** Assembly:

***Folders:** We use colored file folders, which can be found at Walmart, Sam's, Office Depot, Costco, etc. You will need between 1 and 4 file folders, depending on which product you have purchased. You may use manila folders if you prefer, but we have found that children respond better with the brightly colored folders. Don't worry about the tabs...they aren't important. Within this product, you will be given easy, step-by-step instructions for how to fold and assemble these folders. *If you prefer, you can purchase the assembled lapbook bases from our website.*

***Glue:** For the folder assembly, we use hot glue. For booklet assembly, we use glue sticks and sometimes hot glue, depending on the specific booklet. We have found that bottle glue stays wet for too long, so it's not a great choice for lapbooking. For gluing the folders together, we suggest using hot glue, but **ONLY** with adult supervision. These things get **SUPER** hot, and can cause **SEVERE** burns within seconds.



***Other Supplies:** Of course, you will need scissors. Many booklets require additional supplies. Some of these include metal brad fasteners, paper clips, ribbon, yarn, staples, hole puncher, etc.



You may want to add decorations of your own, including stickers, buttons, coloring pages, cut-out clipart, etc. Sometimes, we even use scrapbooking supplies. The most important thing is to use your imagination! Make it your own!!



Ok. I've gathered the supplies. Now how do I use this product?

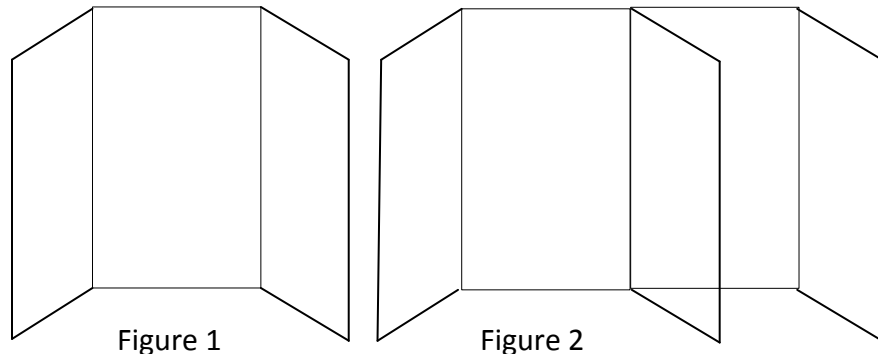
Inside, you will find several sections. They are as follows:

- 1. Layout and Pictures:** This section gives instructions and diagrams that will tell the student exactly how to assemble the lapbook base and where to glue each booklet into the base. Depending on the student's age, he or she may need assistance with this process, especially if you choose to allow the student to use hot glue.
- 2. Student Instruction Guide:** This section is written directly to the student, in language that he or she can understand. However, depending on the age of the child, there may be some parent/teacher assistance needed. This section will also tell the student exactly what should be written inside each booklet as he or she comes to it during the study, as well as telling the student which folder each booklet will be glued into.
- 3. Booklet Templates:** This section includes ALL of the templates for the booklets. These have been printed on colors that will help to improve retention of the information presented, according to scientific research on color psychology.
- 4. Teacher's/Study Guide:** This section includes a Study Guide that can be used to teach this subject. It includes all information for completing the booklets in this lapbook.

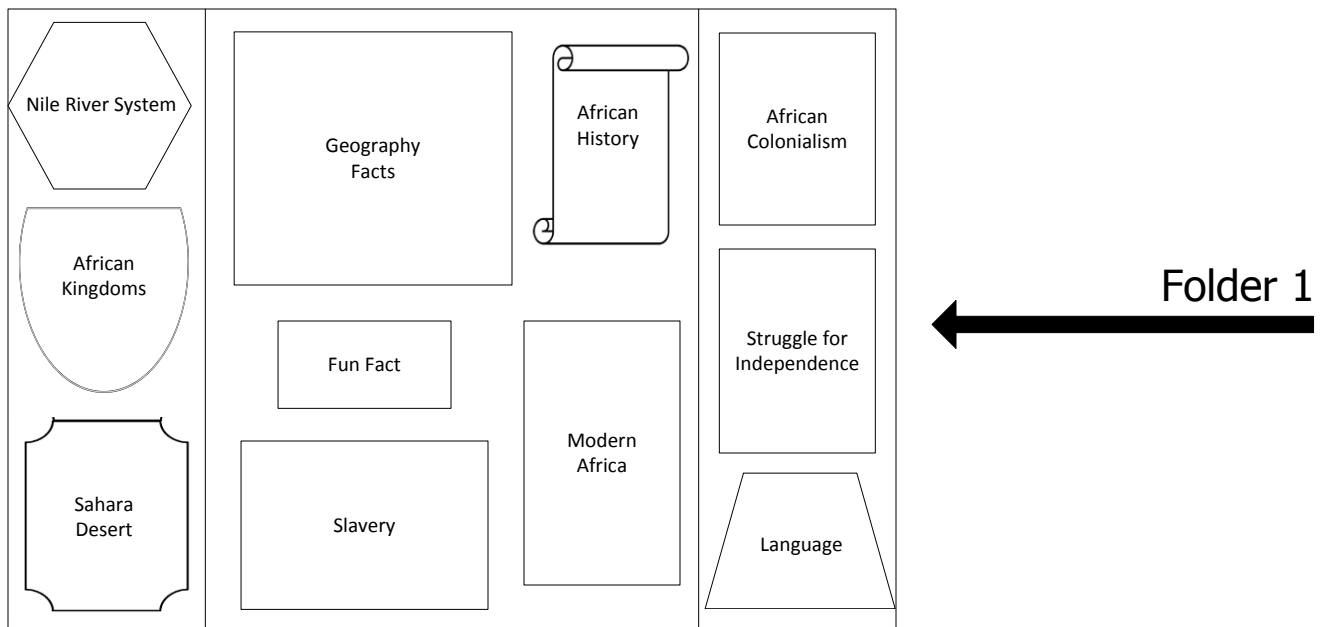
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Layout & Pictures

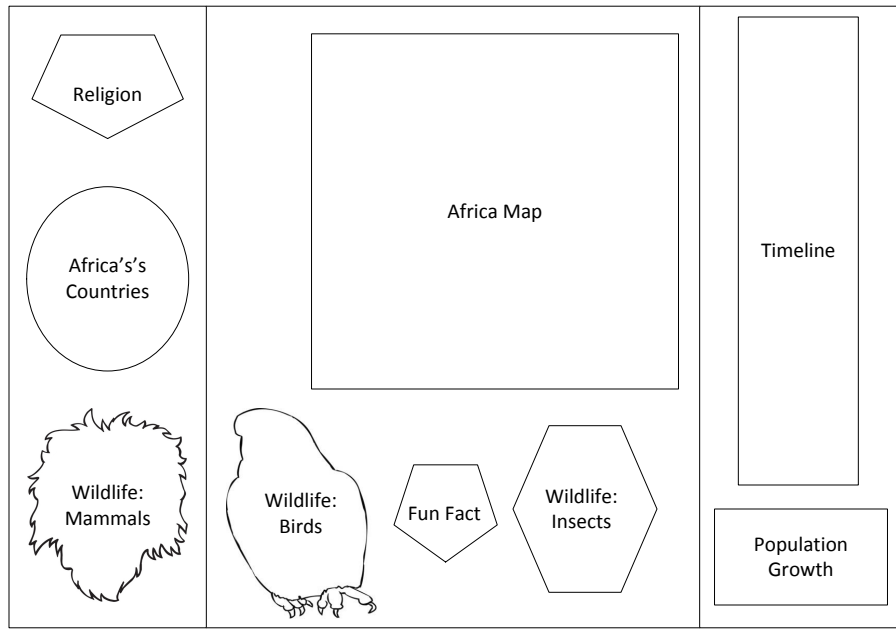
You will need 2 folders of any color. For each folder, you will fold both sides toward the original middle fold and make firm creases on these folds (Figure 1). Then glue the folders together along one flap (Figure 2).



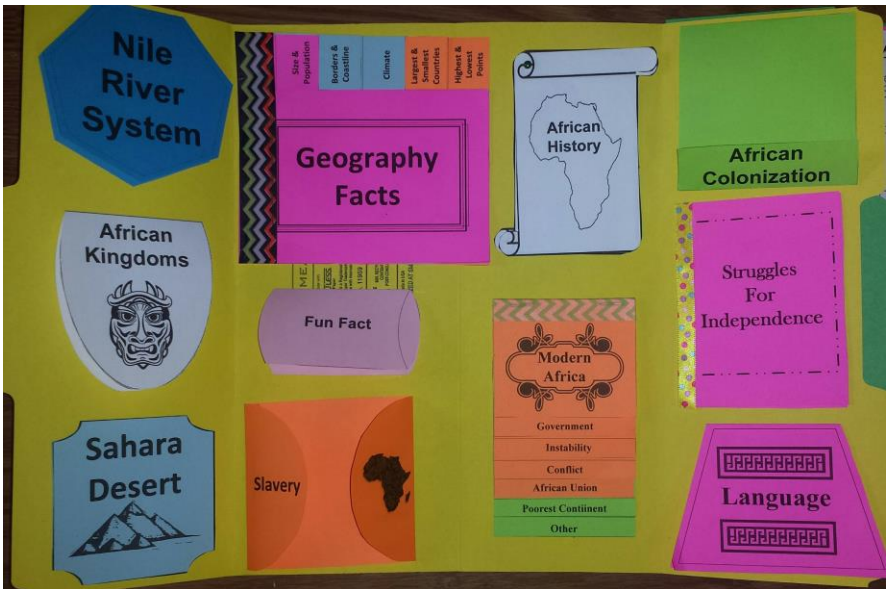
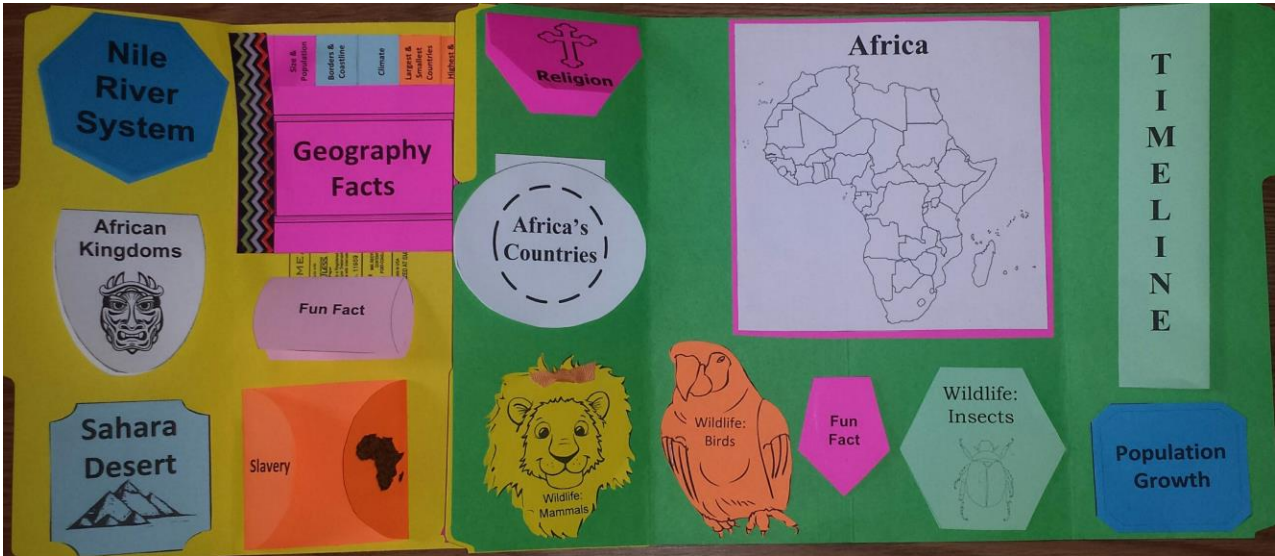
This is the "Layout" for your lapbook. The shapes are not exact on the layout, but you will get the idea of where each booklet should go inside your lapbook.



Folder 2



Below is a picture of a completed lapbook!!! This should help in figuring out how to assemble the booklets and then how to put them all together!



← Folder 1



← Folder 2

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Student Instruction Guide

Booklet 1: Geography Facts

Assembly Instructions: Cut out along the outer black line edges of each page. Stack so that the title is on the front and the tabs line up on the top edge. Secure along the left side with staples.

Completion Instructions: You have learned many facts about the geography of Africa. Tell about some of these facts inside the booklet.

Booklet 2: Nile River System

Assembly Instructions: Cut out along the outer black line edges of the booklet. Fold along the center line so that the title is on the front.

Completion Instructions: Inside this booklet, write about the Nile River System in Africa.

Booklet 3: Sahara Desert

Assembly Instructions: Cut out along the outer black line edges of the booklet. Fold along the center line so that the title is on the front.

Completion Instructions: Tell what you have learned about the world's hottest desert!

Booklet 4: African History

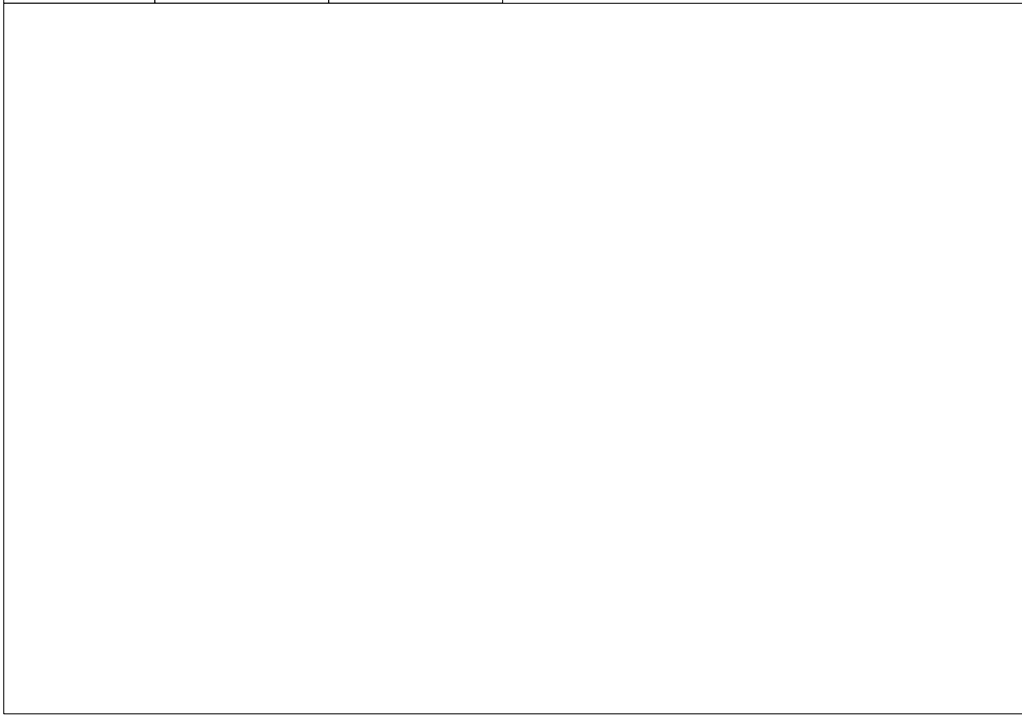
Assembly Instructions: Cut out along the outer black line edges of each page. Stack the pages so that the title is on the front. In the upper left corner, punch a hole, and secure with a metal brad fastener.

Completion Instructions: Africa has a very interesting history. Inside this booklet, tell what you have learned about it here.

Geography Facts

Size &
Population

		Borders & Coastline
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				Largest & Smallest Countries

					Highest & Lowest Points



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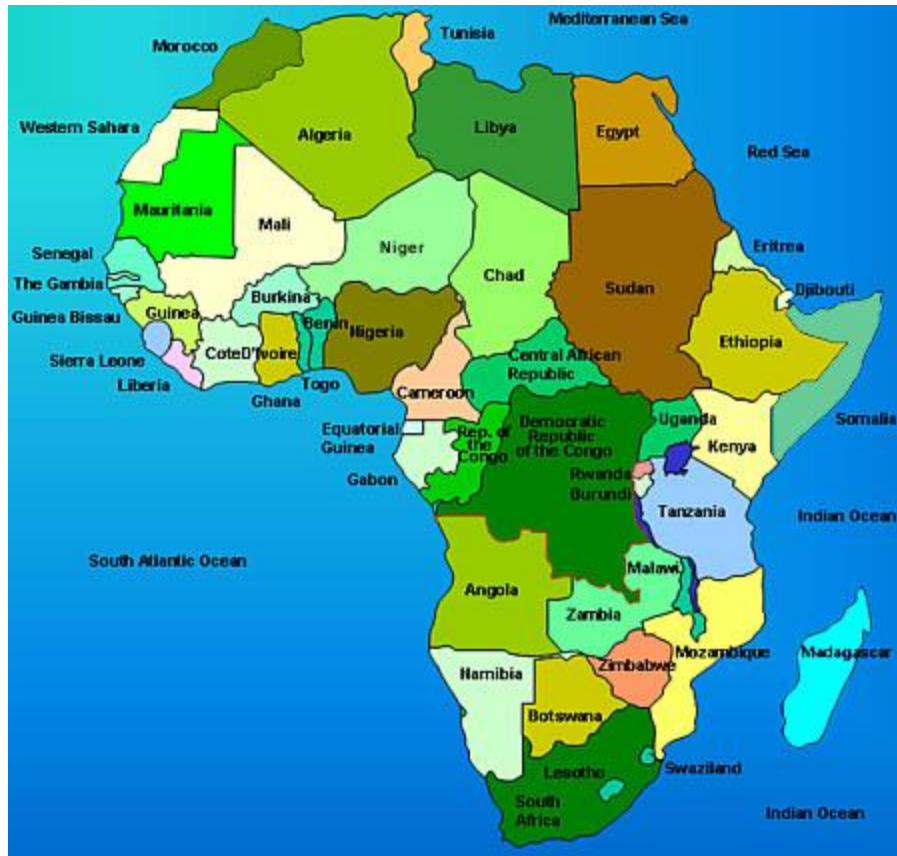


Geography Overview

Africa is the world's second largest continent. With 11.7 million square miles, it covers six percent of the Earth's surface and 20.4% of the total land area. With a population of 1.1 billion people, it also holds about 15% of the world's population, making it the second most populous continent.

Africa is surrounded by the Mediterranean Sea to the north, the Red Sea and Indian Ocean to the east and the Atlantic Ocean to the west. There are currently 54 sovereign countries on the African continent. Algeria is the largest country by area and Nigeria the largest by population. Africa also straddles the Equator, making for numerous different climates.

From its most northerly point in Tunisia to Cape Verde in the south, the continent stretches for 5,000 miles. From east to west it spreads 4,600 miles. The African coastline is 16,000 miles long. The climate of Africa ranges from tropical to subarctic on its highest peaks. There are arid desert plains in the north, and savannah in the central and southern portions, as well as dense jungle regions. Africa is the hottest continent on Earth. Sixty percent of Africa is desert. Africa is also home to the largest population of free-ranging wild animals. Diverse wild population of both carnivores and herbivores roam the plains.



AFRICA GEOGRAPHY FACTS

- Algeria is Africa's largest country
- The Seychelles are Africa's smallest country
- Nigeria is Africa's largest country by population
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- Africa's highest point is Mt Kilimanjaro in Tanzania
- Africa's lowest point is Lake Assal in Djibouti

Two of Africa's most interesting geographical features are the Nile River System and Sahara Desert. The Nile is a north-flowing river considered the longest river in the world at 6,650 km (4,130 mi) long. It is shared by and benefits eleven countries. The White Nile and Blue Nile are its major tributaries. The White Nile is longer and rises in the Great Lakes region of central Africa, flowing north from Tanzania to South Sudan. The Blue Nile is the source of most of the water and both rivers join near Khartoum, Sudan. The northern section of the river flows almost entirely through desert, from Sudan into Egypt. The Nile ends in a large delta that empties into the Mediterranean Sea.

The Sahara is the world's hottest desert, the third largest desert after Antarctica and the Arctic, and almost as large as China. Covering almost one-third of the continent, the Sahara is the largest